



ABSORBED: Cherie Walker (above) and daughter Emily, 4, have an animated conversation with Mr L.J. Hooker Bear after the mascot race, on the final day of the New Zealand Herald Christmas Carnival at Ellerslie Racecourse. A large summer crowd cheers on the field during race seven (left), and Toddles the Penguin and Harold the Giraffe race for the line during the charity race for company mascots (right).



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6 RJ SAXON MEMORIAL SIX-PACK, \$6130, 2000m 3-4 **La Monet** (10) 55.5 R Hannan 19-9 **Mr Charlton** (3) 57 car 54 M Tanaka 2 1-1 **Jacalia** (12) 54.5 D Bradley 3 Scratched: Alphard, Rossi, De Lago Dancer, Strisan. Also (in finish order): 5-5 Open At Eleven, 2-2 Pending, 4-3 Southern Countess, 6-6 Flying Holly, 8-8 Dark Decision, 7-7 Sahara Sunset, 10-10 Ohau Call, 1/2 hd, nse, lg nk. Time: 2:08.60. Win: \$6.90. Places: \$2.10, \$6.90, \$1.40. Quinella: \$97.60. Trifecta: \$576.00. TAB Double: \$31.50 (2/10), \$50.60 (2/3). TAB Treble: \$108.50 (6/2/10). Sub: Jacalia (12). Trainer: Lisa Latta, Awapuni. Breeding: 4 m Montjeu (IRE)-Vive La France.

7 RUSSELL ROADS HASTINGS GOLD CUP, \$25,000, 1400m 1-1 **Maximum Star** (1) 59 H Tinsley 13-2 **Spud** (3) 58 D Bradley 2 9-9 **City Affair** (6) 55.5 J Parkes 3 All started. Also (in finish order): 7-5 Wai, 2-3 Ain't That A Shame, 6-6 Super Sleuth, 7-7 Juliaree, 4-4 No Cash, 8-8 Royal Duke, 3-3/4L, 1-1/4L, sht hd. Time: 1:23.01. Win: \$2.30. Places: \$1.30, \$1.70, \$8.60. Quinella: \$6.70. Trifecta: \$178.10. TAB Double: \$16.80 (10/1), \$11.70 (10/3). Sub: Maximum Star (1). Trainer: Patrick Campbell, Hastings. Breeding: 5 g Howbaddowantit (USA)-Yallah Star.

8 HASTINGS RSA METRIC MILE, \$6000, 1600m 1-1 **Lottery** (7) 55.5 D Bradley 14-2 **The Deb** (8) 55.5 car 53.5 S Fieldes 2 7-8 **Defox** (2) 57 R Hannan 3 Scratched: On The Nose, Pinnafero, Venis'mecha. Also (in finish order): 2-3 Tridane, 3-4 Prime Choice, 5-5 Van Ness, 8-7 Align Em Up, 6-6 Our Chicaine. Lg nk, sht nk, lg nk. Time: 1:38.61. Win: \$2.00. Places: \$1.10, \$1.60, \$4.80. Quinella: \$5.40. Trifecta: \$101.80. TAB Double: \$4.40 (1/7), \$5.50 (1/8). TAB Treble: \$76.90 (10/1/7). Sub: Lottery (7). Trainer: Lisa Latta, Awapuni. Breeding: 5 m Carnegie (IRE)-Titania.

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1 THE TRUSTS CHARITABLE FOUNDATION MAIDEN, \$7000, 2000m 4-4 **Super Glow** (4)

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2 COOKE HOWLISON HANDICAP, \$9000, 2000m 2-2 **Southern Thunder** (3) 57 D Walsh 1-1 **Lots And Lots** (6) 55.5 C Treymane 2 3-5 **Real Chance** (7) 55.5 car 52.5 J Misbah 3 Scratched: Lagerfeld. Also (in finish order): 4-3 Waiknotme, 5-4 Scarlet Fever, 8-8 Princess Cavalier, 7-7 Olivernotha, 6-6 King George, 2-1/4L, nse, nse. Time: 2:02.95. Win: \$5.00. Places: \$1.90, \$1.40, \$2.30. Quinella: \$8.10. Trifecta: \$68.40. TAB Double: \$35.20 (4/3), \$9.30 (4/6). Sub: Lots And Lots (6). Trainer: Michael Pitman, Yaldhurst/Riccarton. Breeding: 5 m Faltaat (USA)-Northern Melody.

3 OTAGO DAILY TIMES MAIDEN, \$7000, 1150m 2-1 **Diamond Jules** (1) 54 car 51 L Parker 11-2 **Money Man** (1) 57 B Hibberd 2 5-5 **Matal Tom Tom** (8) 55.5 T Moseley 3 Scratched: Melli Rula. Also (in finish order): 7-7 Belmont Cat, 10-10 Hearts Are, 3-3 Eyes On The Kash, 8-9 Star Tida, 4-4 King Rumba, 6-6 Notation, 9-8 Majallis, 1L, nse, nk. Time: 1:09.5. Win: \$3.40. Places: \$1.50, \$1.60, \$3.00. Quinella: \$4.10. Trifecta: \$101.10. TAB Treble: \$166.40 (4/3/11). Sub: Money Man (1). Trainer: John & Karen Parsons, Balcairn. Breeding: 2 f Kashani (USA)-Diamond Lady.

4 SPEIGHT'S MORNINGTON TAVERN NEW YEARS DA, \$16,000, 1250m 3-3 **Pushy Too** (3) 56 car 56.5 J Bullard 12-2 **Coup Bloomsbury** (1) 59 D Walsh 2 1-1 **O'Cartier** (2) 56 C Treymane 3 Scratched: Coup Yaldhurst. Also (in finish order): 4-6 Tappy, 5-4 Classic Tycoon, 6-5 Coup Taine, 7-7 Omagh Lad, Hd, nk, 5-1/2L. Time: 1:12.42. Win: \$6.50. Places: \$2.90, \$2.00. Quinella: \$14.20. Trifecta: \$45.50. TAB Double: \$22.10 (11/3), \$4.60 (11/1). Sub: O'Cartier (2). Trainer: Steven Woodsford, Balcairn. Breeding: 6 m Phountzi (USA)-Timoleague.

5 THE WAIKOUAITI SUPPORTERS MAIDEN, \$7000, 1250m 1-1 **Lookatme** (5) 56 D Walsh 1 4-4 **Wharfedale** (8) 55.5 D Bothamley 2 8-8

Peecee's Boy (4) 57 J Todd 3 Scratched: Centre Hill, Sweet Chariot, The Cloud. Also (in finish order): 2-2 Magic Trick, 5-5 Killigrew, 6-7 Noble View, 7-6 Grans, 9-9 Egyptian Rose, 3-3 Amazing Magic, 10-10 Fair Fax Fire, 11-11 Extra Time, Nk, 1-1/2L, 1-1/2L. Time: 1:15.33. Win: \$2.10. Places: \$1.40, \$2.30, \$5.70. Quinella: \$10.80. Trifecta: \$242.00. Sub: Lookatme (5). Trainer: John & Karen Parsons, Balcairn. Breeding: 3 g Kashani (USA)-Shavary Lady.

6 MAINLAND POULTRY HANDICAP, \$8000, 2000m 1-1 **China White** (1) 59.5 D Walsh 14-4 **Sensotronic** (4) 55 C Treymane 2 9-7 **Chatham Heights** (8) 54 car 51 M Carston 3 Scratched: Lotus. Also (in finish order): 3-3 Pacific Paradise, 8-8 Magic Man, 2-2 Sheera Chardonay, 6-6 Jackson Jones, 5-5 Maadi, 7-9 Tele Ho, Nse, 1-1/2L, nse. Time: 2:02.9. Win: \$1.90. Places: \$1.10, \$2.20, \$5.00. Quinella: \$8.80. Trifecta: \$109.50. TAB Double: \$3.20 (5/1), \$6.00 (5/4). TAB Treble: \$58.70 (3/5/1). Sub: China White (1). Trainer: Michael Pitman, Yaldhurst/Riccarton. Breeding: 5 h Danske-China Blue.

7 DUNEDIN CASINO WAIKOUAITI CUP, \$16,000, 2000m 3-3 **Borninthestates** (3) 56.5 D Walsh 12-2 **Sabcraft** (1) 58 J Todd 21-1 **Shear D'Cash** (4) 56.5 C Treymane 3 Scratched: Ultramarine, In Theory. Also (in finish order): 4-4 Mystify, 6-6 Southern Man, 5-5 Au Fait, 2-3/4L, 1L, nk. Time: 2:05.79. Win: \$4.20. Places: \$2.30, \$2.00. Quinella: \$7.20. Trifecta: \$22.90. Sub: Shear D'Cash (4). Trainer: Michael Pitman, Yaldhurst/Riccarton. Breeding: 5 g Chief Bearhart (CAN)-Emanation.

8 WATERLOO HOTEL - NOW OPEN LATE HANDICAP, \$9000, 1250m 4-4 **Querella** (12) 55 C Treymane 1 9-9 **Muir Hill** (14) 54.5 car 53.5 A Mundy 2 1-1 **Lady Classique** (2) 58 J Bullard 3 Scratched: Global Charmer, The Green Man, Realign, Waitui Gold, Miss Jezebel. Also (in finish order): 2-3 Peyow Peyow, 7-6 Justa Pass, 6-5 Uppclopersonal, 5-7 Bon Cheval, 8-8 Asmahan, 12-12 Intestaine, 3-2 Time And Moment, 11-11 Otanaki Boy, 10-10 Our Louise, 2-1/2L, nse, 1-1/4L. Time: 1:14.04. Win: \$9.30. Places: \$2.90, \$5.70, \$1.40. Quinella: \$74.70. T: \$637.30. TAB Double: \$26.30 (3/12), \$22.00 (3/14). Treble: \$98.50

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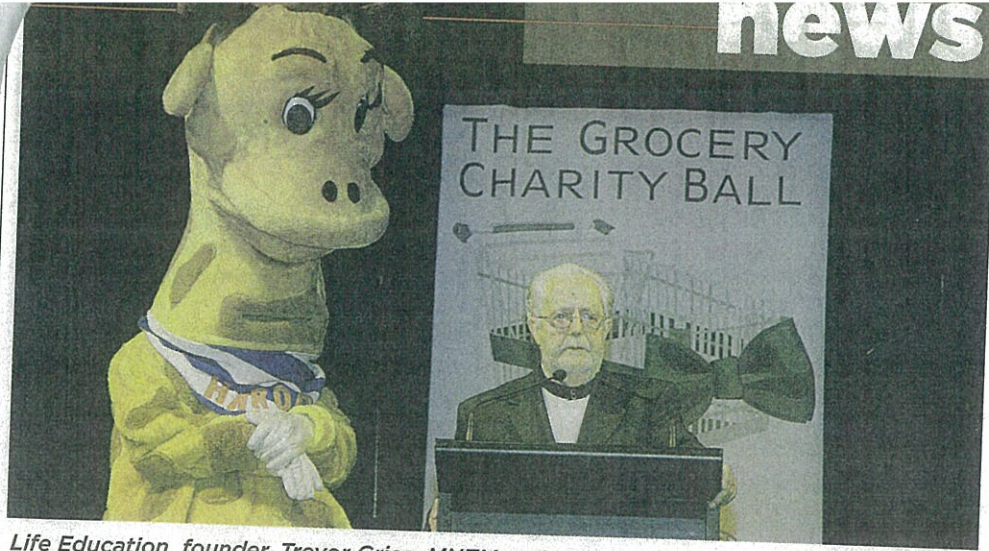
Mainfreight joins trust family

Transport company Mainfreight has become a national sponsor of Life Education Trust, pledging \$200,000 a year for three years, allowing the health and life skills programme to meet continuing demand.

The sponsorship will enable the trust to increase the number of mobile classrooms and educators who deliver positive health based education to primary and intermediate aged children throughout New Zealand. Mainfreight managing director Don Braid says the success of the Life Education Trust was the key to his company's involvement. "For 18 years Life Education

has raised the awareness of the potential of Kiwi kids by giving them the knowledge and skills to lead healthy and fulfilling lives." The sponsorship comes at a crucial time for the trust, known to children throughout the country by its popular mascot Harold the giraffe.

Chief executive Peter Cox says each year 200,000 students hear and see the Life Education message from specialist educators in 39 distinctive high-tech mobile classrooms (called 'learning capsules'). Our growth plans will see another five classrooms in two years. Most of the growth is expected in the Auckland region."



Life Education founder, Trevor Grice, MNZM and New Zealand's # 1 Mascot, "HAROLD" at the Grocery Charity Ball.

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Grocery industry digs deep for kids

The standout event for grocer philanthropy in New Zealand was recently held at Sky City Convention Centre.

It raised what is thought to be a New Zealand record for an event of its type. Final figures are not yet confirmed, but an estimated \$500,000 was donated for Life Education Trust.

The annual event is held with the support of Foodstuffs, Progressive Enterprises, The Warehouse and the New Zealand Food and Grocery Council.

The Auckland Central Life Education Trust was delighted to be selected as the beneficiary and worked closely with the Grocery Charity Ball Trust in the 12 months leading up to the big night.

Chairman of Life Ed Auckland Central, Lance Hutchison said: "The fantastic generosity of the New Zealand grocery industry will have huge national significance for our organisation. Our main thrust is to build a better world for our children, making them

comfortable with their identity from their very first lessons.

"We have 40 Mobile Capsules (classrooms), operating in more than 1200 schools from the Far North to Invercargill. We have 50 teachers, 400 Trustees, more than 2000 supporters and cover a quarter of a million primary school children. We are a volunteer organisation, manned by an army of volunteers and owned by the communities we work in.

"We are overwhelmed with the industry's efforts. They not only had a great night out together, but they also dug deep into their pockets to raise an unbelievable amount of money....money that will help us reach more children as the demand for our programmes continues to outstrip our resources.

"On behalf of the young people of New Zealand, thanks to everyone involved. The first sign of your generosity will be a new Mobile Capsule on the streets of Auckland Central by Term One 2008."

Visit www.harold.co.nz for more informaton.

Harold's Big Day Out

Auckland's fickle weather fortunately turned out fine for Harold's Big Day Out at Ellerslie Racecourse for the Life Education Trust Auckland Central last month.

The \$40,000 raised was a record for the event, in its four year history. Racegoers were admitted to the course on payment of a gold coin.

A large crowd of children and families flocked in to meet Harold in the Kidzone and enjoyed free rides and entertainment. The winners of the *Midweek* Life Education colouring competition were also announced with winners receiving much appreciated Willy Wonka packs.

Meanwhile upstairs in the stands the charity luncheon was sold out and guests were treated to high class entertainment, food, wine, great racing and competitions such as Best Dressed and Best Hat.

Funds were also raised through the sale of raffle tickets with stunning prizes donated by generous Life Education sponsors.

"It was the best Harold's Big Day out yet," says trustee Peter High.

"The upstairs room looked fantastic and the outside kids' area was absolutely buzzing. Congratulations to Lance and Kim Hutchison and the other trustees for arranging such a great day (and fine weather) and the Auckland University of Technology team are to be congratulated on their excellent event management skills.

"Auckland Central Life Education Trust has proved again how effective its people are.

The commitment of the trustees and helpers, partners and spouses and educators is awesome. They have all done an extremely good job," he says.

Funds raised will be used to help buy an additional Mobile Learning Capsule (classroom) to help the trust meet unprecedented increasing demand for its programmes and messages to help the children of Auckland grow up to lead better lives with good health and self esteem.



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Couple race to support Harold's Big Day Out

Bob and Mary Lovett are nearly always first past the post when it comes to sponsoring a race at Harold's Big Day Out, the annual charity event, which raises funds for Life Education Auckland.

And you couldn't find more appropriate sponsors. The Lovetts are not only racehorse owners, (their gelding Don't Ya Lovett having enjoyed his fair share of wins), but Bob is also a former editor of *Best Bets* and *Friday Flash* and an occasional commentator at trotting events and trials.

"We've sponsored a race and taken a corporate table at Harold's Big Day out for the past three years and love that we can combine our personal sporting interest with helping to direct youth at an age where they can gain much from the Life Education programme," says Mary.

While she and Bob are happily on track when it comes to relaxation, their working day is a much saltier affair. As owners of Remuera Fisheries for the past 11 years, they are accustomed to putting their efforts into sourcing and selling quality seafood. In fact, their site in the heart of the shopping centre, has been a fishmonger's for the best part of a century with the Lovetts happy to carry on the tradition.

Regular Remuera shoppers find it all too easy to succumb to the shop's pristine window display of fresh, perfectly presented seafood or to pop in for their own special cooked order of fish of their choice. And you haven't had pie until you've tasted



Mary's own recipe fish pie - expect to be hooked after the first mouthful.

But right now the Lovetts are focused on Harold's Big Day Out at Ellerslie Racecourse on Saturday, October 28. This year's family event features free rides and entertainment (including the Sizzler ride featured at the Auckland Easter Show), kids activities, face painting and a chance to meet Harold and his cousins.

Supporters, such as Just Juice and Milo, will be there with samples and parking is free. The trust encourages families to make a day of it - take a picnic basket and enjoy the festivities with Harold.

By texting HELP to 4449, supporters can donate \$3 to Help Harold Help Kids and in return receive a personal invitation to Harold's Big Day Out and a free Harold screensaver.

For more information call Lance Hutchison, Chairman, Life Education Trust, Ph 448-4066. www.lifeeducation.org.nz or visit www.harold.co.nz

Encouraging uniqueness

Children need to grow and explore in an environment where their uniqueness is valued by themselves and those around them. And, with the help of Life Education and its much-loved giraffe, Harold - young Kiwi kids are learning how to look after their well-being and develop into healthy adults.

Auckland Central Life Education is one of 36 trusts throughout New Zealand aiming to deliver positive health messages to every child in the region. Saint Kentigern School principal, Geoff Burgess, says he became a trustee after witnessing the effects of the programme in his school. "Life Education has visited our school for more than 12 years," says Geoff. "The students develop a strong emotional bond to Harold and the educator, which fosters an excellent learning environment."

As the liaison school for the trust, Saint Kentigern provides a base for the educator, takes responsibility for contracts and appointment of staff. During appraisals Geoff frequently receives superb feedback from schools about the programme and educator. "Primary schools from Tamaki to Ellerslie, Newmarket and even Waiheke Island all enthusiastically request the Auckland Central Life Education programme as part of their health curriculum," he says.

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help children understand the effects of nutrition, exercise, stress and substance abuse.

As children reach intermediate age their needs change and they are physically too big to fit into a mobile unit. A new initiative in Auckland Central continues to use a specialist educator who goes into students' classrooms and works through issues such as bullying and completes a body warrant of fitness. "A positive approach to health creates an environment of high interest for students from wide ranging backgrounds," Geoff says. "Pupils really enjoy the programme, which improves its success rate."

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about

1. Emma Smith (Midweek), Jockey Buddy Lammas, Strapper Darrian Gedge, Part Owner John Vickers and smiling for the camera racehorse 'I Rock My World'
2. Rebecca Purdy, Jodie Fitzgerald
3. 2yr old Anais Ross
4. Adele Douglas (McKenzie Page), Ruth Biggs (Carpet & Rug Co), Veronica Lightfoot (Pet Expo).
5. Cathy Brebner, Shannon Lampshire and Ryan Sims.
6. Hayden Meredith & Maree Irwin Wynyard from Pet Expo.
7. Di Goldsworthy and Harold
8. Emma Smith and Hara Jeng
9. Flashing past the post Times Newspapers Mile Race Winner 'I Rock My World'





*Harold and Carol Neville -
President - Rotary Club of
Newmarket Inc*

Rotary Club of Newmarket

"Service Above Self"



Giving it back ...

Providing a guiding hand to today's youth frequently affects the future that lies ahead and the state of tomorrow's community.

With a genuine ambition to aid youth projects, Rotary Club of Newmarket targets particular issues affecting children and teenagers within central and eastern Auckland. Club president Carol Neville says the 'new generations committee' carefully scrutinises submissions from organisations and then Rotary puts its money where its mouth is by providing financial support.

"We fundraise for organisations which are pro-active and work towards long-term success," says Carol. "New Zealand society benefits from work carried out by groups such as Life Education, and Rotary looks for projects that provide preventative education and ongoing support."

Life Education Trust is an important healthy provider in Auckland schools teaching kids what not to and what to put into their bodies. With a good understanding of how their bodies and minds work, they develop a strong sense of respect for themselves and others. As the trust doesn't accept any Government funding, generous sponsors such as Newmarket Rotary play a vital role in supporting Harold and Life Education.

Funding is raised through Rotary's popular Circus Quirkus shows. Companies and individuals make donations, which enable disadvantaged children to revel in an afternoon of entertainment with clowns, jugglers and interactive performers. Much

of the young audience has never seen a live performance and their gratitude is often passed on to Newmarket Rotary.

Newmarket Rotary supports the James Family Trust (Presbyterian Support), which aids youth from violent backgrounds or who struggle with problems such as substance abuse. Youngsters can attend a challenging week-long course, similar to Outward Bound, where they develop group skills and address behavioural issues.

"When YouthTown opened in Panmure, we were pleased to fund a youth worker for three years. The centre provides programmes and a safe environment for teenagers to socialise and participate in various activities," Carol says.

Young leaders and gifted children are also fostered and sponsored by Carol's proactive club. For instance, RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award) encourages youth to take on leadership roles and make a difference to New Zealand.

"Rotary Club of Newmarket is renowned for getting things done and gives something back to the community. Being part of Rotary and involved in many local and international projects gives me a sense of balance."

Those interested in hearing more about Newmarket Rotary projects are welcome to attend Tuesday lunchtime meetings at the Ellerslie Convention Centre or contact Carol Neville, ph 528-8355.

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Drugs and bullies targeted

***From the Shadows*, a new Life Education anti-drug/anti-bullying programme, is set to target intermediate school age children throughout Auckland.**

Written by the Trust's New Zealand founder, Trevor Grice, who also wrote the best selling book *The Great Brain Robbery*, the programme aims to combat the alarming rise of drug and solvent abuse and bullying in schools.

Auckland Central Life Education chairperson Lance Hutchison says *From the Shadows* was recently presented at a forum of intermediate school principals who invited Life Education to take the pilot programme into Auckland Central intermediate schools.

"Life Education currently visits some 8500 primary children in the Auckland Central area every year," he says. "Our mobile classroom is booked for two years in advance and we presently have a waiting list of 10 schools keen to take our programmes."

And of course, Life Education mobile classrooms and the Trust's mascot, Harold the Giraffe, are familiar to thousands of school children.

Last year, after two years of fund-raising, the Auckland Central Trust launched its new \$200,000 learning capsule (classroom), which has been a huge success.

"However it takes \$100,000 per annum to operate and with *From the Shadows*, adding a further \$70,000 per annum to our costs, on-going fundraising requires a huge effort especially as we receive no direct government funding," Mr Hutchison says.

Sponsors help meet those costs and one of the Trust's biggest fund-raising events of the year is coming up in October.



(Left to Right) Peter High - Deputy Chairperson; Lance Hutchison - Chairperson; Trevor Grice - Founder & Director of Life Education Trust.

Harold's Big Day Out Number 3, will be held on Saturday, October 8 at Ellerslie Racecourse. This FREE FAMILY FUN DAY will feature free rides and activities for children and includes a premier day's racing on the track. Life Education is seeking donations of goods and services for a raffle and auction at the event and welcomes interest from would-be sponsors.

Tickets are also available to Harold's Charity Luncheon sponsored by Westpac. At \$112.50 each they cover all day dining and refreshments at this outstanding racing and family function.

For more information on how you can "partner" Life Education contact: Lance Hutchison JP, Ph 021-719-131 or 529-2335. Email: lance.kim@xtra.co.nz Web: www.lifeeducation.org.nz

Lions Club together for Kids



(Left to Right) Immediate Past President Tony Steindle, President Kim Hutchison, Director Angela Keown, Lion Besim Salidray, Secretary David Marson, Lion Dawne Rodgers

The Remuera Lions Club has been involved with the Life Education Auckland Central Trust since its foundation four years ago. Club president Kim Hutchinson says the relationship with Life Ed is an important part of the Lions' commitment to the community - and particularly children.

"It's all about the children. If we can make a difference to even one child's life it will be well worth it," Kim says. "We're fully supportive of the values of the Life Education Trust, encouraging children to believe that they are unique and special and supporting their choices."

That commitment to children in the community is highlighted by another high

profile Remuera Lions Club initiative - the World Festival of Magic Show held each November. Local businesses sponsor tickets to the show to enable less fortunate and disabled children and their families to attend for free. Every year the Lions bring international performers to star in the magic show, which entertained more than 15,000 people last year alone.

The money raised goes straight back to the community. This year's funds will provide support for Auckland's seven hospices.

If you would like to know more about joining the Remuera Lions Club or supporting the Club's work in the community please visit www.remueralions.org.nz

Supporter promotes Life Education

LEILA MacDonald, of Remuera, is a foundation supporter of Life Education Trust, Auckland Central, her support helping the Trust's work among primary schools throughout the city.

A leading Barfoot & Thompson sales consultant, Leila believes Life Education is a positive force, which teaches children respect for themselves and each other.

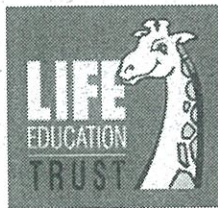
In addition to providing financial sponsorship, Leila has visited local classrooms to watch the Life Education team at work.

She says she admires the Trust's principles which teach children respect for themselves and each other.

"In an age when children often have to cope with all sorts of problems from peer pressure to the effects of dysfunctional families, it's encouraging to see Life Education helping them understand their bodies, become aware that they are unique and to appreciate their individual identities."

Leila is one of many Life Education Trust supporters and the Auckland Central Community Trust is one of 33 throughout the country which operate mobile classrooms. Mascot, Harold the Giraffe is recognised nationwide and lessons are linked to New Zealand's education and health curriculum.

Now, Auckland Central's classroom has undergone a total refit and will be back on the road after the July holiday break. It has been refurbished with new state of the



art technology, including sophisticated sight and sound techniques, a talking brain and electronic modules showing the circulatory,

nervous and digestive systems. Watch for it on the road – it really stands out.

And don't forget to diarise October 9, 2004. That's Life Education's fun family day at Ellerslie Racecourse, an event not to be missed!

For enquiries regarding sponsorship call:

**Lance Hutchison, Chairman,
Life Education Trst,
Auckland Central,
Ph 529-2335.**

Web: www.lifeeducation.org.nz



■ Leila MacDonald and Harold

Help Harold help kids

Life Education launches its new club and website at the Rialto in Newmarket tonight. where "Harold" is treating his army of supporters to a special screening of the movie *Amazing Grace* thanks to the sponsorship of Nescafe & the Rialto.

Life Education has more than 40 Mobile Capsules operating in more than 1200 schools from the Far North to Invercargill. It has 50 teachers, 400 registered trustees, over 2000 supporters and cover a quarter of a million primary school children.

The secret of Life Ed has been in its struggle, its community structure, and, most of all, its local and total community ownership.

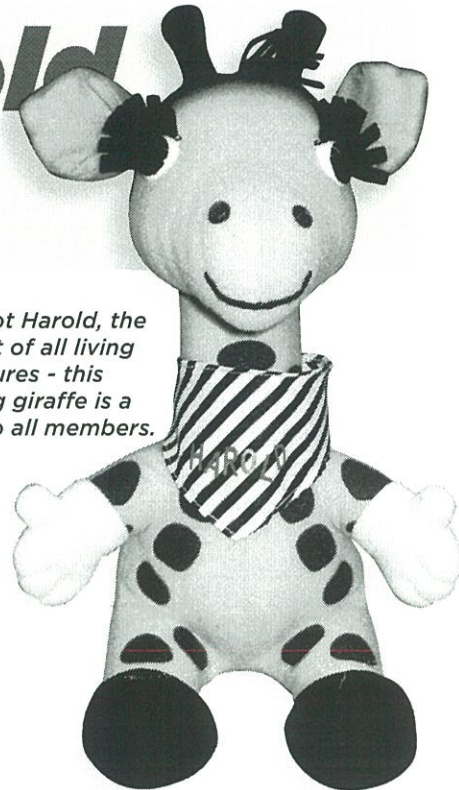
The Auckland Central Life Ed Trust is experiencing unprecedented growth and support, its main thrust being to build a better world for YOUR children, making them comfortable with their identity from their very first school lessons.

As it prepares for the delivery of a second Mobile Capsule, made possible with funds from the Grocery Charity Ball Trust, it is launching a local membership club to enable individuals, parents, businesses and community groups to be part of the local ownership and help young children in their own locality.

Trust chairman Lance Hutchison says: "We have some fantastic founding sponsors who are the rocks in our river, we now need the "pebbles" to make that river really sing!"

The benefits of joining "Harold's" Club are:

Mascot Harold, the tallest of all living creatures - this sitting giraffe is a gift to all members.



- Registered Charitable Trust, your donation is tax deductible
- Being run by volunteers, our overheads are minimal - your donation reaches your children
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- A free "Harold" supporter's event every year
- A free family fun day at Ellerslie annually - Harold's Big Day Out

Every dollar helps us - join the club for as little as a dollar a day, \$5 a week, \$30 a month.. whatever amount you would like to contribute on a regular basis by auto payment, or donate online at: www.harold.co.nz

Contact us for more info:
Lance.hutchison@asb.co.nz or write to Harold at: 2/22 Prosford Street, Ponsonby

Trust happy to end agreement with tobacco firm

By REBECCA GARDINER

A LOCAL health education programme became fully smoke-free last week after ending its funding arrangement with tobacco company British American Tobacco.

Life Education Trust is a mobile school programme that encourages self-esteem in children and teaches them about how their bodies work. This includes a module on the effect that illegal drugs have on the body.

The director of New Zealand's Smokefree Coalition, Mark Peck, says he is delighted the trust has put an end to the funding arrangement and believes the organisation is "putting kids first".

"We all know funding is not easy to find, and the Life Education Trust is to be congratulated for making the hard call," says Mr Peck.

"Smoking prevention programmes offered to children and young people should never have any links to the tobacco industry. Good on you... it was the right thing to do."

The coordinator of the Howick/Pakuranga branch of Life Education Trust, Celia Thompson, supports the trust's decision but says accepting funds from companies like British American Tobacco (BAT) is a "necessary evil" for some organisations.

"I think it's a decision that's been made by the trust because [accepting funding from BAT] has negative publicity," says Ms Thompson.

"But as for my area, none of my principals had an issue with it."

She says if we lived in a perfect world, charities would not need to accept funding from organisations like British American Tobacco.

"It's one of those really iffy questions. You need money from somewhere but it's six of one, half a dozen of another. You're damned if you do, damned if you don't."

Ms Thompson adds the government receives millions of dollars in taxes from tobacco sales each year.

"Nobody questions that one," she says.

Grocers ball raises \$500,000

The Life Education Trust has half a million reasons to be grateful to Auckland's grocers.

The fourth annual Grocery Charity Ball raised a record \$500,000 for the trust.

The trustees started off in 2004 by raising \$100,000 for cystic fibrosis.

"We all thought that was an incredible amount of money," trustee Don Graham says.

Because of the ball's success the trustees decided to make it an annual event.

In 2005 Project K received \$150,000 and in 2006 Cure Kids was given \$300,000.

Life Education will use the money raised to finance an extra mobile classroom.

Trustees are now selecting a charity for 2008. Details at www.grocerycharityball.org.

The number one criteria is the "need" of the organisation, which must also help the organisers leading up to the event.

Applications close on November 16.



Ball bounty: The trustees of the Grocery Charity Ball have handed over an impressive sum to the Life Education Trust.

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Revamped carnival business as usu

SUMMER RACING:
ARC officials
are confident
of a successful
transition

by Michael Guerin

If you are heading to Ellerslie on New Year's Day take a tip: don't back Harold.

If you haven't heard of Harold that is because Harold is not a horse. He is a giraffe. In fact, he is not even a real giraffe.

But he will be racing at Ellerslie on New Year's Day nevertheless and barring a major form turnaround he won't win.

Harold will compete in the Mascot Dash for Charity Cash, one of the host of innovations planned to rejuvenate the New Year's Day meeting now the Auckland Cup has been moved to March.

Six of the mascots who will race over 100m for prizes of nearly \$10,000 for their chosen charity had a short trial at Ellerslie yesterday as the Auckland Racing Club launched the New Zealand Herald summer carnival to the media and sponsors.

Harold, the mascot for the Life Education Trust, looked ill at ease in the starting gates — understandable as his head was sticking over the top — and he galloped only a few metres before tripping and hitting the turf.

He was unharmed and is expected to take his place in the New Year's Day sprint.

"That is what New Year's Day is going to be about, putting some fun into the day to complement the great racing," said ARC chief executive



Chris Weaver.

"We are calling it Super Sunday because we may not have the Auckland Cup there any more but we have five group races and more on-course entertainment than ever before."

The great depth of racing on Super Sunday has been made possible by the creation of the City Of Auckland Cup and the scrapping of the traditional last day of the carnival, bringing the

Rich Hill Mile and Dunstan Feeds Championship forward.

Weaver compares the revamped New Year's Day meeting to Derby Day at Flemington in Melbourne, with the large number of feature races sure to keep punters interested while the Mascot race and New Zealand's first serious sausage-eating competition

planned to entertain those not so worried about the horses.

The sausage-eating competition will be sponsored by the Mad Butcher — who would have thought! — and will see heats and finals where competitors race to eat 10 sausages.

That could have some interesting results coming just a few hours after the biggest night of the year.

Weaver admits turnover for the day will be down on last year because the meeting will not host the Auckland

Cup but says the flipside of that will be the enormous turnover generated during the new cup carnival in March.

But ARC officials believe their Boxing Day meeting will be business as usual even without the New Zealand Derby

The Derby has also been moved to March.

"We still have some great races like the Great Northern Guineas on Boxing

Day but just the Fashion a highlight

"Boxing highlights calendar at

"We expect Derby was said Weaver

The calendar middle day

Message for life



Chairman of the Auckland Central Branch of the Life Education Trust, Lance Hutchison leads a busy life, but that doesn't stop the live wire from giving back to the community.

He took over the trust chairmanship four years ago. "We had no money and had to start from scratch. With eight trustees and plenty of hard graft we survived" (part of this is due to Lance's efficiency. He quickly whistles through meeting agendas, placing a big tick when each item is resolved).

It takes \$100,000 annually to take the Life Education message to 8500 primary children. "Our mobile classroom is booked two years in advance and we have a waiting list of 10 schools keen to take the programme.

"Teachers and parents are aware Harold and the Life Education message has a profound effect as Harold, our giraffe mascot, is among the most recognised characters in New Zealand."

Lance is a born and bred Aucklander, attending St Theresa's School and then Mt Roskill Grammar. He went straight into banking after school with Westpac, serving the organisation for 25 years, becoming branch manager at Remuera and then area manager north of the Harbour Bridge. He also worked in the Cook Islands where his interest in community work began.

Lance runs an Esquires coffee franchise in the city. "I am probably going to sell it — I need another challenge."

Chairman of the Auckland Central Branch of the Life Education Trust, Lance Hutchison started his working life in banking. He whirls through meeting agendas like a tornado — putting a big tick by each item. Harold the Life Education mascot fills a



Harold grabs NZ Idol spotlight

Harold the Life Education giraffe is known by children all over New Zealand for teaching them, among other things, that they are unique.

NZ Idol Dominic Bowden, who remembers hearing this from Harold himself, says being on the TV show proves that.

Dominic is supporting the Life Education Trust's Help Harold Help Kids \$3 text campaign.

Harold visited the NZ Idol set and threatened to perform a number for the public — Lamb Chop's Song that doesn't end.

"Fortunately, we were able to divert his attention," Dominic says.

Funds raised by Harold's campaign go towards buying a new mobile classroom so Harold can spread his healthy living messages to more schoolkids.

Last year the mobile classroom visited 25 schools and more than 8000 children, but Harold was unable to reach 15 schools because the demand exceeded the trust's capabilities.

By texting "Help" to 4449, donors will receive Friday, 06 October 2006, p. 6



Helping kids: Dominic Bowden from NZ Idol meets Harold the Life Education Trust mascot.

an invitation to the trust's annual Harold's Big Day Out and are directed to the trust's website to download a free Harold screensaver.

Harold's Big Day Out

will be held at the Ellerslie Racecourse from noon to 4.30pm on Saturday, October 28.

Texts cost \$3 and children should get their parents' permission first.



Lineout weapon for Shield champs

Harold the Giraffe believes in sticking his neck out for Ranfurly Shield champions North Harbour.

The Life Education mascot intends to continue gruelling lineout training from tomorrow in the lead-up to the quarter-finals against Otago.

"The team and I were

really glad to be involved with Life Education Trust," says North Harbour captain Rua Tipoki.

"We support the values the trust promotes to young New Zealanders."

Harold teaches children an interactive and fun way of looking after their bodies, respecting

one another and protecting the environment.

New Zealanders can donate \$3 via text message to Help Harold Help Kids.

The money will expand the programme and fund a second mobile learning capsule.

By texting "HELP" to 4449 donors will be in-

vited to the trust's annual Harold's Big Day Out and directed to the website to download a free Harold screensaver (children, please ask the bill-payer first).

The free family-friendly day will be held at Ellerslie Racecourse from noon to 4.30pm on Saturday, October 28.

Hearty lift: North Harbour rugby players train up one of their more interesting friends for their lineouts.



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Mobile classroom brings a lesson on the 'wonder of life'

There were high-fives and handshakes as Harold the giraffe met Waiheke Primary School students last Thursday.

Harold is the mascot who travels with the Life Education Trust's mobile classroom which is visiting the island's three schools over three weeks, beginning with Waiheke Primary.

Tomorrow (Friday) the unit relocates to Donald Bruce Road for a week with Te Huruhi students before the third and final week with Waiheke High School intermediate classes.

Life Education is a charitable trust which visits some 210,000 primary and

intermediate students annually. Its philosophy is to teach children "the wonder of life", capturing young imaginations using sophisticated sight and sound techniques.

"We teach children about the wonder of life, themselves and other people with the aim of showing them how to reach their full potential. It is a totally positive approach," says publicity material.

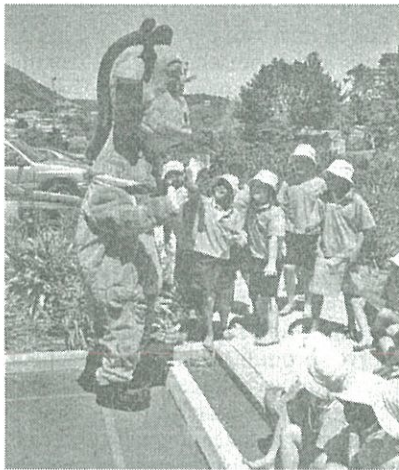
There is a focus on "creating a sensitivity to values which lead to an understanding and appreciation of human life".

The mobile classroom now on the island belongs to the Auckland Central Trust which was formed in 1992 and is one of more than 30 trusts nationwide under the Life Education umbrella.

It is a new unit – the result of several years' of fundraising, including through the Grocery Charity Ball and the trust's numerous other corporate, business and



Harold the giraffe and educator Pip Simonian.



Harold meets Waiheke Primary students after the arrival of the Life Education Trust's mobile classroom at the school last week.

individual sponsors.

Each mobile classroom has its own Harold and an educator – a registered teacher selected for their "x-factor" in engaging with children. •

French Club cruise

The Waiheke Island French Club is kicking off the year off with a cruise to Motuihe and Motutapu on Sunday 2 March.

President Danielle Fillion says the cruise will be open to both members and non-members but places are filling up fast.

The boat leaves Matiatia at 10am for Motutapu where there will be a walk and picnic. At 2pm it departs for Motuihe and swims before returning to Matiatia by 5pm. There will be a bar on board but people need to bring their own picnics.

The cost is \$25 for members, \$30 for non-members (\$15 for children). All bookings must be in advance, phone Danielle 372-6109.

The club's regular programme gets underway the next day with a 7pm film at the Waiheke Cinema, followed by a meeting on

Monday 10 March in the MORRA Hall at 10am. Movies and regular meetings continue on the first and second Mondays of each month respectively.

French language classes, a play reading group and a small library are organised by the club. The programme includes talks, social events and the annual Coq Kivi petanque competition.

For further information phone Ron, 372-8551, or Julie, 372-6466. •

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New Zealand schools do a great job teaching children academic and sporting skills, but what about arming them with life skills and positive self-esteem? Often that's left to chance – and that's where the national charity Life Education Trust comes in.

Life Education Trust's mission is to help give young people – through positive health-based education – the knowledge and skills to live a fulfilling and healthy life. With their mascot, lovable Harold the giraffe, Life Education Trust's charismatic educators and volunteers tour schools around the country to teach kids about how to honour themselves as unique, respect their bodies, their environment and each other.

Through an imaginative and compelling learning environment, the Trust shows children how to deal with life's challenges. Without these tools, the result is often social problems associated with poor health,

low self-esteem and abuse of drugs and alcohol. These fun-filled, positive sessions reached 250,000 children in 2009!

HAVE A GREAT DAY O - and help Harold!



Life Education Trust Auckland Central is holding a charity race day:

CORPORATE CHARITY LUNCHEON on **Saturday, September 25, 2010.**

It's been a sell-out before and this year it will be even better! The covered Cuvée lawn at **Ellerslie Racecourse, Auckland** will be extended to accommodate Life Education Trust supporters, who will enjoy trackside thrills, top-class food, full beverage service, live entertainment, prizes and a goodie bag.

All this for \$1200 + GST for a table of 8 (or \$150+GST per person)

Enjoy a fantastic day and support Life Education Trust!

For Bookings, please contact Lance Hutchison, Chairperson lance.hutchison@asb.co.nz or phone: 021 2227549

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TERRIFIC TERENZO!

Triathlon and Ironman champion Terenzo Bozzone is ambassador for the Trust. He says, "While I have been training and racing to achieve my goals, Life Education Trust has been providing the children of



New Zealand with the knowledge that will help them be the best they can be. It's an honour to be an ambassador for this terrific organisation that will mould the future of New Zealand into great people and leaders."

To donate or for more info go to www.harold.co.nz

Health matters most to room 7



By AMY MCGILLIVRAY

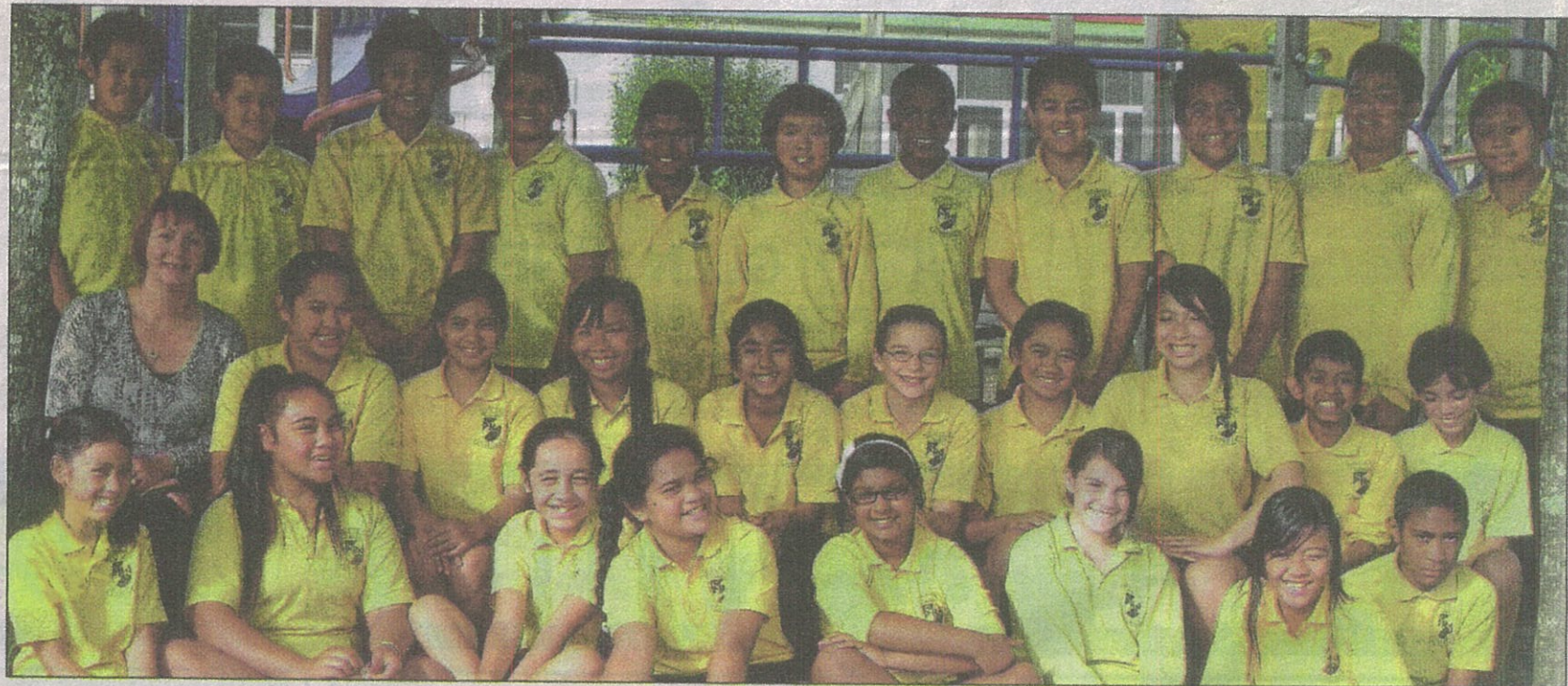
You only get one body and our Class of the Week knows just how important it is to look after it.

In three sessions with the Life Education Bus Stanhope Road School room 7 has learnt about drugs and alcohol, balance and stress.

And the year 7 class is full of fun facts about the body.

The brain feels like an avocado, has as much fluid as a lemon, is interwoven like spaghetti, layered like a cabbage, shaped like a walnut and when spread out would be the size of a pillowcase, they say.

Ishwanka Sharma, 11, was surprised to find out there are 12 major systems in the body – the immune, digestive, nervous, circulatory, respirat-



ory, muscular, urinary, integumentary, skeletal, reproductive, endocrine and excretory systems.

"We've been learning about how amazing our body is and how it deals with what we put in," Andy Singh-Bhangu, 11, says.

Monish Lal, 11, has discovered the liver can only process one standard drink in an hour.

But the students know

there are some things the body is best without.

Cigarettes are one of those things, 11-year-old Yasitha Hewagamage says.

"We learnt that cigarettes have 4000 chemicals and 200 of them can cause cancer."

Yasitha has no desire to take up smoking after seeing photos of the damage it causes.

There are plenty of role models for young people to

look to, Denise Dazo, 11, says.

"We learnt about what all the cool people in New Zealand say about smoking," she says.

Ishwanka says the class knows all about how to look after themselves.

"We have been learning how to keep ourselves safe and how to deal with it in a positive way," she says.

The students are well

informed about the impact of stress but now have ideas about how to cope with it.

"Tell people that you know that you have stress so they can help you," Pelenaise Fonua, 11, says.

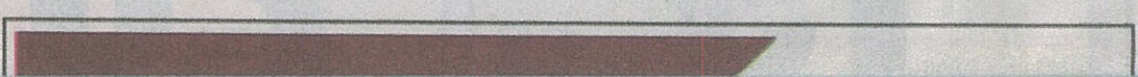
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Patlingrao.

Middle row: teacher Claire Russell, Shivahn Moa, Christine Briones, Denise Dazo, Rupali Sharma, Jessica Rayner, Jasmin Rawiri, Kiara Cooper, Yasitha Hewagamage, Aidan Whiteside.

Front row: Kyla Javier, Rose Fale, Sharmian McKenzie, Pelenaise Fonua, Ishwanka Sharma, Ashlee Jameson, Shim Gicole, Max Jackman.

Lecture on



Helping youth succeed in life

Life Education is aimed at building a better life for children but it is the efforts of people like 96-year-old Nancy Thomson that helps the trust do its work.

Nancy is a foundation sponsor of Life Education Auckland Central and is set to become a life member of the "Harold Club" in New Zealand. She was drawn to the trust because she wanted to see young people stay on the right track in life and to show them how to avoid pitfalls.



Miss Nancy Thomson with national chairman Angus Fletcher.

"I may be a very senior citizen but I still take a keen interest in the wellbeing of youth," she says. "When I learnt about Life Education I went along to watch an Auckland Central mobile classroom in action and was very impressed by the sophisticated technology and with the educator's wonderful way with students. Of course, the trust's mascot Harold the giraffe, was a delight."

Miss Thomson says she likes the way Life Education gives children the chance to lead decent lives and teaches them to respect themselves and the values of everyday life,

"Call me old fashioned but I have a strong desire to see children develop in the right way and making them aware of how drugs and alcohol can affect their health and judgments is a start along with all the other aspects of the programme. Supporting a cause like Life Education means I can still do my bit to help."

Although Miss Thompson is in the process of relocating from Auckland to Palmerston North she fully expects to carry on her support of the organisation and is happy it will be used to do some good for the upcoming generation.

She encourages other people to support the Auckland Central Trust's new Help Harold Help Kids campaign, which began on Monday with the launching of a fun, new website www.harold.co.nz.

See the trust's approach first hand at Harold's Big Day Out on October 28 at Ellerslie Racecourse. The annual family event features free rides and entertainment (including the Sizzler ride featured at the Easter Show), races, prizes, and a sausage sizzle. Supporters such as Just Juice and Milo will be there with samples too. Parking is free.

Why not make a family day of it and take a picnic basket and enjoy the festivities with Harold.

Make an automatic \$3 donation to Help Harold Help Kids by texting HELP to 4449. In return you will receive an invitation to Harold's Big Day Out and a free Harold screen-saver.

Contact Lance Hutchison, chairman, Life Education Trust, Ph 448-4066. www.lifeeducation.org.nz or visit www.harold.co.nz

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■ Lance Hutchison

Remuera manager moves on

WESTPAC Remuera branch manager Lance Hutchison is moving on to a new job.

He will soon take up a new role as area service manager Auckland North West — responsible for service delivery in branches from Kaitaia to Devonport.

However he will remain a Remuera resident and continue in his position as chair of Life Education Trust Auckland Central.

"I have had a fantastic team of bankers at Remuera over the past six years — some of whom are now lead-

ers in various divisions of Westpac," he says.

"With the support of our clients our teams have been very successful in working with the community.

"In the last two years alone \$33,000 has been raised for organisations in our area.

"We've worked with service clubs and schools and the CAB and Remuera Business Association."

Mr Hutchison is also a Justice of the Peace and Marriage Celebrant — areas in which he will continue to work.



■ Students from Dilworth Junior School's Class 7C outside the Life Education Trust mobile classroom. Also in the picture are Chris Blincoe (left rear) Lance Hutchison (chair Life Education Trust Auckland Central, right rear), Nancy Thomson, chair of the Thompson Charitable Trust (centre) and school principal Rex Hooton (right).

Life's lessons in mobile classroom

DILWORTH Junior School in Remuera received a visit from the Life Education Trust classroom under the direction of teacher-facilitator Vicki Shepherd.

Life Education is an ongoing health-based programme that aims to give children the knowledge and skills they need to keep them from harmful situations and substances.

The programme is international non-political and non-religious and applicable to all creeds and cultures and it provides a valuable resource for the Health and Physical Education Curriculum.

During the week each class paid three visits to the mobile classroom where they were exposed to state-of-the-art audio-visual presentations and other information.

The themes covered were: Year 5, "Friends"; Year 6, "Making Choices"; Year 7, "Internal Affairs"; Year 8, "Keeping a Balance."

Harold wraps it up

Matt Monk

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Along with Harold and the learning capsule also departing will be the trust's educators, who Life Education Trust's Kevin White says have been a wonderful temporary addition to all of the schools.

"The work that the educators have put in has been absolutely brilliant. The children loved it, the educators loved it and the sponsors loved it," he says.

Another thing the sponsors loved was a thank you event held last Sunday, February 24 at The Estate in Church Bay.

Raising money, however, wasn't the main objective of the fundraiser, according to Mr White – it was a way of saying thank you.

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Harold entertains children at Sunday's event

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showing how much we appreciate their help."

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Mr White says local companies have been wonderful in their help of the trust while it has been on the Island.

With so much help and input from small and big businesses all over Waiheke, Mr White says the aim is to get that learning capsule back over to the rock within 18 months, where it can be used to its full extent again.

"Everyone has enjoyed it," he says. "Even when the kids might see our car with Harold

painted on the sides, they all wave at it. It shows how much fun that the children are having while they're learning, and that's the most important thing."

The royal touch

THE NEW AUCKLAND CUP TROPHY IS ITSELF A PIECE OF NEW ZEALAND RACING HISTORY

After 80 years in storage, the newly named Auckland Cup has been polished to perfection and is now enjoying its current role as New Zealand's ultimate racing trophy.

Gifted in perpetuity to the Auckland Racing Club by Moss Davis in 1928, the Cup was made in 1889 by Queen Victoria's Jeweller of the time, Robert Garrard.

On arrival, the Cup featured in *The New Zealand Herald* where the writer noted it as a "beautiful specimen of the silversmith's art being chased with the Royal Arms, foliage and scroll work. The handles are supported by rams' heads."

The trainer, jockey and owner of the winning horse in the Stella Artois Auckland Cup will each receive a replica of this impressive trophy to keep as a souvenir of their thrilling win.



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Harold makes repeat visit to Waiheke

Matt Monk

Waiheke students are in for a treat this month with the Life Education Trusts newest "learning capsule" mobile classroom hitting the shores tomorrow in its first use.

The trust is known for its learning capsules, where the trust says they take children on an adventure in a mobile classroom that is equipped with sophisticated sight and sound techniques to capture children's imaginations.

Lance Hutchison, Life Education Trust chairperson, says "As a part of our mission to ensure no child is left behind, we're absolutely delighted to advise that Harold and Life Education will be on Waiheke Island for the month of February."

The educators for the trust, who are all registered teachers, work with the trust's mascot - Harold the giraffe. "Harold is known by children all over New Zealand for teaching them that they are unique and special. The tallest of all living creatures, he encourages children to look up and stand tall...not [look] at their boot laces." Mr Hutchison says.

The trust's programmes are in such demand that there are school waiting lists of up to two years in some areas, particularly in Auckland. The trust visited the Island three years ago with the older learning capsule mobile classroom.

"We visit a quarter of a million children annually, have 40 mobile classrooms operating in over 1200 schools from the far north to Invercargill, 50 teachers... all manned by an army of volunteers"



says Mr Hutchison.

With 19 different programmes, over 400 segments and the technology utilised in the mobile classrooms, Mr Hutchison says: "Our main thrust is to build a better world for our children, making them feel comfortable with their identity from their very first lessons."

Mr Hutchison explains that the success of the trust is that they are always invited back to schools. "We are owned by the communities we work in. all our funding comes from local support and sponsorship from individuals, small and big business, local community and church groups, and corporates such as Just Juice and Mainfreight."

The capsule arrives at Kennedy Point on Thursday before heading to Te Huruhi Primary School and then Waiheke Primary in Seaview Road.

The handpicked teachers running the mobile classrooms will be teaching Waiheke Primary, Waiheke High and Te Huruhi all about the Life Education Trust's motto - "There never was, is now, or ever will be another you... You are unique, you are special!"